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AUCTIONS WITH MULTI- :
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Foreign Patents

<u>Country</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Date</u>
JP	409101994A	April 15, 1997
JP	410078992A	March 11, 1998

The relevance of the non-English references are that JP 409101994A discloses an auction information display and JP 410078992A discloses an automatic auction method.

Applicants respectfully request that these items be considered by the Examiner, and that the Examiner acknowledge consideration of these references by initialing and returning a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (1 sheets) with the next official action.

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